

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

1. - 12. **(Canceled)**

13. **(Currently Amended)** An analytical test device for detecting an analyte suspected of being present in an applied liquid sample, the device comprising:

- a. a test strip having a control results zone and a test result zone;
- b. an analyte detection means comprising multiple colored particles configured to participate in a sandwich assay or a competitive assay for the analyte, the particles being disposed in a dry state along the test strip; and
- c. a control detection means, wherein the control detection means allows a user to determine that at least a portion of a liquid sample applied to the device has moved through said test result zone and the completion of the assay, the control detection means comprising at least one detectable dye reagent disposed along the test strip downstream of the particles test result zone, wherein the at least one detectable dye reagent is mobilizable by the applied liquid sample and the movement of the at least one detectable reagent in, into or out of the control results zone indicates that at least a portion of a liquid sample applied to the device has moved through said test result zone and the completion of the assay.

14. **(Canceled)**

15. **(Currently Amended)** The test device of claim 1[[4]], ~~said~~ wherein the at least one detectable dye reagent being is soluble in the applied liquid sample.

16. **(Currently Amended)** The test device of claim 15, wherein ~~said~~the at least one detectable dye reagent moves by capillarity through ~~said~~the test strip when ~~reached~~mobilized by the applied liquid sample.

17. **(Canceled)**

18. **(Currently Amended)** The test device of claim 1[[4]], wherein ~~said~~the at least one detectable dye reagent can be detected by visible, fluorescent, radiographic or instrumental means.

19. **(Currently Amended)** The test device of claim 1[[4]], wherein ~~said~~the control detection means further comprises second dye reagent that is not substantially ~~moveable~~mobilizable by the applied liquid sample and has a detectable color different from the color of ~~said~~the at least one detectable dye reagent, and wherein ~~said~~the at least one detectable dye reagent covers up or optionally mixes with said second dye reagent, such that said second dye reagent is not detectable by the user prior to application of the liquid sample.

20. **(Currently Amended)** The test device of claim 19, wherein ~~said~~the second dye reagent is substantially immobilized in or on said test strip and does not observably move through or on said test strip when reached by the applied liquid sample.

21. **(Currently Amended)** The test device of claim 19, wherein movement of said at least one detectable dye reagent results in a detectable color change, said color change indicating that at least a portion of the applied liquid sample has moved through said test result zone and the completion of the assay.

22. - 35. **(Canceled)**

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36. **(New)** The test device of claim 1, wherein the at least one detectable dye reagent is shielded by a physical barrier such that the at least one detectable dye cannot be detected by the user prior to application of the liquid sample,

37. **(New)** The test device of claim 19, wherein the second dye reagent comprises a compound which is only soluble in organic solvents.